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Preparatory Committee
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Item 4 of the provisional agenda
Organization of work

Programme of work

Introduction

1. In accordance with General Assembly resolution 68/211, an Open-ended Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee for the Third World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction was established to review the organizational and substantive preparations for the Conference, approve the programme of work of the Conference, and propose rules of procedure for adoption by the Conference.

Procedural and organizational matters

2. On Monday, 14 July, in line with organizational practice, the meeting will be opened by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Disaster Risk Reduction. The Preparatory Committee will elect its chairpersons and other officers, and adopt its agenda (Items 1 to 3).

Document. Provisional agenda and annotations (A/CONF.224/PC(I)/1)

Organization of work

3. The provisional list of participants will be presented for consideration with a view to its adoption The Preparatory Committee will take up its programme of work also with a view to its adoption (Item 4).

Documents:

Draft programme of work (A/CONF.224/PC(I)/2).

Provisional list of participants (A/CONF.224/PC(I)/MISC.1)

Note by the secretariat on suggested arrangements for accreditation and participation in the preparatory process and in the World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction of relevant non-governmental organizations and other major groups (A/CONF.224/PC(I)/INF.2).

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Organization of the World Conference

4. The Preparatory Committee will hear an update on progress on the organization of the World Conference (Item 5).

Documents:

Note by the secretariat on progress on the organization of the World Conference (A/CONF.224/PC(I)/12)

Provisional rules of procedure for the Conference (A/CONF.224/PC(I)/3).

Considerations on the post-2015 framework for disaster risk reduction

5. On Monday, 14 July and Tuesday, 15 July, the Preparatory Committee will hold plenary meetings on considerations on the post-2015 framework for disaster risk reduction (Item 6). The Committee will conclude the item with a summary of considerations by its co-Chairs in the afternoon of Tuesday, 15 July.

Documents:

Compilation report on consultations on the post-2015 framework for disaster risk reduction (A/CONF.224/PC(I)/5).

Suggested elements for a post-2015 framework for disaster risk reduction (A/CONF.224/PC(I)/6).

Outcomes of six Regional Platforms and meetings on disaster risk reduction (A/CONF.224/PC(I)/7, A/CONF.224/PC(I)/8, A/CONF.224/PC(I)/9, A/CONF.224/PC(I)/10, A/CONF.224/PC(I)/11 and A/CONF.224/PC(I)/12).

Chairs' dialogue with major groups

6. By the terms of General Assembly resolution 68/211, it was decided that the Third World Conference and the meetings of its Preparatory Committee shall provide for the full and effective participation of all States Members of the United Nations and members of specialized agencies.

7. In the same resolution, the General Assembly recognized the importance of the contributions and participation of all relevant stakeholders at the Third World Conference and its preparatory process, including major groups, parliaments, civil society, the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement, non-governmental organizations, national platforms for disaster risk reduction, focal points for the Hyogo Framework for Action, local government representatives, scientific institutions and the private sector, as well as organizations of the United Nations system and intergovernmental organizations.

8. Furthermore, the General Assembly stressed the importance of mainstreaming gender and disability perspectives in disaster risk management to strengthen the resilience of communities and reduce social vulnerabilities to disasters, and recognized the need for the inclusive participation and contribution of women, as well as vulnerable people within groups such as children, older persons and persons with disabilities, to the Third World Conference and its preparatory process.

9. Organizations of the United Nations system were requested, and Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and other relevant international and regional

organizations were invited, within their respective mandates to actively contribute to the preparatory process and to the Third World Conference.

10. A list of organizations applying for special accreditation to the first session of the Preparatory Committee will be circulated to Member States 48 hours in advance of the session for approval by silence procedure. A provisional list of participants is before the Committee in document A/CONF.224/PC(I)/MISC.1.

11. The Chairs will hold dialogues with major groups to exchange views on the post-2015 framework for disaster risk reduction on:

Monday, 14 July	13:15 to 14:45
Tuesday, 15 July	9:00 to 10:30 and 13:15 to 14:45

Technical workshops

12. The Conference secretariat will organize technical workshops to build further understanding on: how disaster risk reduction affects development outcomes and the use of indicators, monitoring and review systems for a post-2015 framework for disaster risk reduction; investing in disaster risk reduction; and mutual reinforcement between the post-2015 framework for disaster risk reduction, future sustainable development agenda and goals and climate change agreements. Concept notes for each technical workshop will be available on the World Conference website (www.wcdrr.org) as non-papers.

Monday, 14 July

11:00-13:00	Indicators, monitoring and review process for the post-2015 framework (Part I)
15:00-17:00	Indicators, monitoring and review process for the post-2015 framework (Part II)

Tuesday, 15 July

11:00-13:00	Investing in disaster risk reduction
15:00-17:00	Mutual reinforcement of disaster risk reduction, sustainable development agenda and goals and climate change agreements

Any other business, consideration of the report of the Preparatory Committee and conclusion of the session

13. Having taken up any other business, the Preparatory Committee will consider the report of the first session and conclude its work on Tuesday, 15 July with a view to agreeing on the organization of work towards its second session from 17 to 18 November in Geneva (Items 7 to 9).

Monday 14 July 2014	Capacity	8h30	9h	10h	11h	12h	13h	14h	15h	16h	17h	18h	19h
ROOM XVIII PLENARY	641 p		Opening, Procedural items 09h-10h	Considerations on the post-2015 framework for disaster risk reduction 10h-13h					Considerations on the post-2015 framework for disaster risk reduction 15h-19h				
ROOM XXIV BREAKOUT	260p				Technical workshop 1: indicators, monitoring and review process for the post-2015 framework (Part I) 11h-13h		Chair's dialogue with Major Groups 13h15-14h45		Technical workshop 2: Indicators, monitoring and review process for the post-2015 framework (Part II) 15h-17h				
Tuesday 15 July 2014		8h30	9h	10h	11h	12h	13h	14h	15h	16h	17h	18h	19h
ROOM XVIII PLENARY	641 p		Considerations on the post-2015 framework for disaster risk reduction (cont.) 9h-13h						Considerations on the post-2015 framework for DRR (cont.) 15h-17h		Summary report, Arrangements 2nd PrepCom, Conclusion. 17h-19h		
ROOM XXIV BREAKOUT	260p		Chair's dialogue with Major Groups 9h-10h30		Technical workshop 3: Investing in disaster risk reduction 11h-13h		Chair's dialogue with Major Groups 13h15-14h45		Technical workshop 4: Mutual reinforcement of DRR, SDGs and climate change agreements 15h-17h				

Legend:

Intergovernmental Segment (interpretation in 6 UN languages)

Multi-stakeholder Segment (in English, no interpretation)